# COMMITTEE ON LEGISLATIVE RESEARCH OVERSIGHT DIVISION

# **FISCAL NOTE**

<u>L.R. No.</u>: 2184-01 <u>Bill No.</u>: HB 994

Subject: Railroads; Energy; Taxation and Revenue - Sales and Use

Type: Original Date: May 18, 2001

# **FISCAL SUMMARY**

ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON STATE FUNDS				
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2002	FY 2003	FY 2004	
General Revenue	(\$1,052,500)	(\$1,389,300)	(\$1,528,230)	
School District Trust	(\$350,833)	(\$463,100)	(\$409,410)	
Conservation	(\$43,854)	(\$57,888)	(\$63,676)	
Parks and Soil	(\$35,083)	(\$46,310)	(\$50,941)	
Total Estimated Net Effect on <u>All</u> State Funds*	(\$1,482,271)	(\$1,956,598)	(\$2,152,257)	

ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON FEDERAL FUNDS				
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2002	FY 2003	FY 2004	
None				
Total Estimated Net Effect on <u>All</u> Federal Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	

ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON LOCAL FUNDS				
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2002	FY 2003	FY 2004	
<b>Local Government</b>	(\$526,250)	(\$694,650)	(\$764,115)	

Numbers within parentheses: ( ) indicate costs or losses.

This fiscal note contains 3 pages.

#### FISCAL ANALYSIS

#### **ASSUMPTION**

Officials of the **Department of Revenue (DOR)** state this legislation, as worded, would exempt railway excursions from state and local taxes. DOR assumes this legislation would not have an administrative impact on its agency and the revenue impact is unknown.

Officials of the **Department of Economic Development, Division of Motor Carrier & Railroad Safety** assume this bill will not fiscally impact their agency.

Officials from the **Office of Administration - Budget and Planning (BAP)** did not respond to our fiscal note request.

According to the Amtrak Strategic Business Plan, 22.5 million passengers were served in FY 2000 (ending September 30, 2000) earning ticket revenue of \$1.1 billion. For the first quarter in FY 2001, the company served 6 million passengers and received \$298 million in ticket revenue. Amtrak's rate of growth in ticket sales is 10%. Amtrak operates 22,000 miles of passenger rail, serving over 500 communities in 45 states. Amtrak operates 842 miles of track in Missouri. Multiplying the ratio of Missouri miles to national miles (3.83%) by national ticket sales, the estimated annual Missouri ticket sales would be \$42.1 million in FY02. **Oversight** assumes the revenue loss from this sales tax exemption for railway excursion tickets to be \$2 million in FY02, \$2.7 million in FY03 and \$2.9 million in FY04 to all affected funds.

#### This proposal would result in a decrease in Total State Revenues.

ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON ALL FUNDS	(\$1,482,271)	(\$1,956,598)	(\$2,152,257)
Parks and Soil Sales Tax Fund	<u>(\$35,083)</u>	<u>(\$46,310)</u>	<u>(\$50,941)</u>
Conservation Sales Tax Fund	(\$43,854)	(\$57,888)	(\$63,676)
School District Trust Fund	(\$350,833)	(\$463,100)	(\$409,410)
General Revenue Fund	(\$1,052,500)	(\$1,389,300)	(\$1,528,230)
<u>Loss</u> to Other State Funds:			
FISCAL IMPACT - State Government	FY 2002 (10 mo.)	FY 2003	FY 2004
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ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON LOCAL POLITICAL SUBDIVISIONS	<u>(\$526,250)</u>	<u>(\$694,650)</u>	<u>(\$764,115)</u>
Loss to Political Subdivisions Cities Counties	(\$315,750) (\$210,500)	(\$416,790) (\$277,860)	(\$458,469) (\$305,646)
FISCAL IMPACT - Local Government	FY 2002	FY 2003	FY 2004

# FISCAL IMPACT - Small Business

No direct fiscal impact to small businesses would be expected as a result of this proposal.

# **DESCRIPTION**

This bill exempts from state and local sales and use taxes all sales of tickets for railway excursions that traverse state lines and that travel on standard gauge track that is part of the National Transportation System.

This legislation is not federally mandated, would not duplicate any other program and would not require additional capital improvements or rental space.

# **SOURCES OF INFORMATION**

Department of Revenue Department of Economic Development Division of Motor Carrier & Railroad Safety Amtrak Strategic Plan

NOT RESPONDING: Office of Administration, Budget and Planning

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